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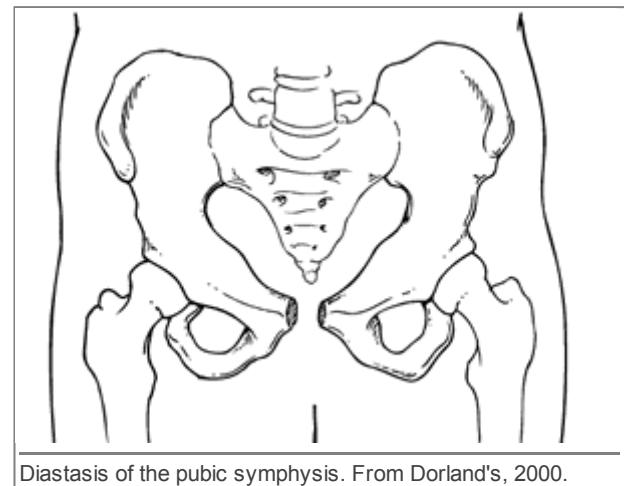
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### diastasis [di-as-tah-sis]

- dislocation or separation of two normally attached bones between which there is no true joint. See illustration.



- an abnormally large separation between associated bones, as between the ribs.
- the rest period of the cardiac cycle, occurring just before systole. Called also diastasis cordis.
- diastasis rec'ti abdo'minis separation of the rectus muscles of the abdominal wall, sometimes occurring during pregnancy.

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### di·as·ta·sis (dī-as-tă-sis), Avoid the mispronunciation diasta'sis.

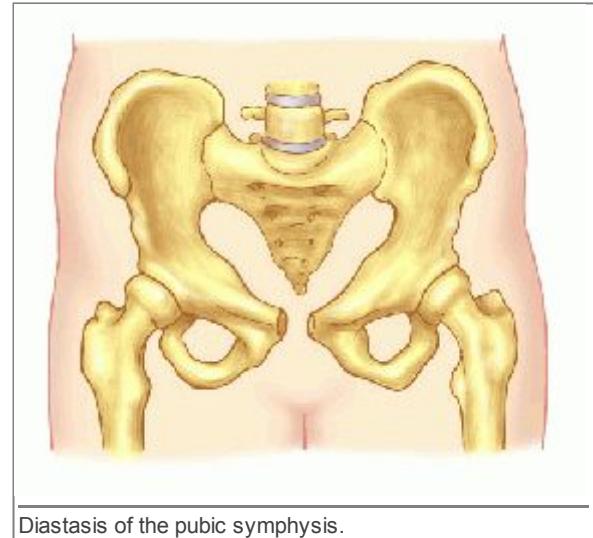
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### diastasis /di-as-ta-sis/ (di-as-tah-sis)

- dislocation or separation of two normally attached bones between which there is no true joint. Also, separation beyond the normal between associated bones, as between the ribs.

2. a relatively quiescent period of slow ventricular filling during the cardiac cycle, occurring just prior to atrial systole.



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## diastasis (dī-ăs'tă-sĭs)

*n. pl. diasta·ses (-sēz')*

1. Separation of normally joined anatomical parts, as of certain abdominal muscles during pregnancy.
2. The last stage of diastole in the heart, occurring just before contraction and during which little additional blood enters the ventricle.

**di'a·stat'ic** (dī'ə-stăt'ik) *adj.*

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## diastasis

[dī-as'təsɪs]

**Etymology:** Gk, separation

the forcible separation of two parts that are normally joined, such as parts of a bone at an epiphysis, two bones that lack a synovial joint, or two muscles, as in diastasis recti abdominis.

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**diastasis** Separation of normally adjacent bones without fracture.

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## diastasis

1. dislocation or separation of two normally attached bones between which there is no true joint. Also, an abnormally large separation between associated bones, as between the ribs.
2. diastasis cordis, the rest period of the cardiac cycle, occurring just before systole.

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